LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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- 1. (Original) A method of using a treatment fluid in a subterranean formation comprising introducing a treatment fluid having a density that varies as a function of pressure into a subterranean formation, wherein the treatment fluid comprises a base fluid and a portion of variable pressure weighting material particles.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the treatment fluid is used as a well fluid.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the well fluid is selected from the group consisting of drilling fluids, completion fluids, and stimulation fluids.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the well fluid is selected from the group consisting of drilling muds, well cleanup fluids, workover fluids, spacer fluids, gravel pack fluids, acidizing fluids, and fracturing fluids.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of drilling, completing and/or stimulating a subterranean formation using the treatment fluid.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 5 further comprising the step of producing a fluid from the subterranean formation.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6 wherein the fluid comprises oil, gas, or a mixture thereof.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the treatment fluid has a density at sea level in the range of from about 6 lb/gallon to about 18 lb/gallon.
- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the base fluid is oil, water, or a mixture thereof.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the base fluid is present in the treatment fluid in an amount in the range of from about 60% to about 99.99% by volume.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the portion of variable pressure weighting material particles is present in the treatment fluid in an amount in the range of from about 0.01% to about 40% by volume of the treatment fluid.

- 12. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the variable pressure weighting material particles have a specific gravity in the range of from about 0.1 to about 0.5.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the variable pressure weighting material particle further comprises a compressible fluid.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the compressible fluid comprises air, propane, ammonia, fluorinated hydrocarbon refrigerants, nitrogen, carbon dioxide, argon or a mixture thereof.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein a portion of the variable pressure weighting material particles can withstand a pressure of up to about 21,000 psi without crushing.
- 16. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein a portion of the variable pressure weighting material particles can rebound to about their original size and shape when pressure is removed.
- 17. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein a portion of the variable pressure weighting material particles can withstand temperatures up to about 500°F without degrading.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the subterranean formation comprises a borehole, and wherein the density of the treatment fluid increases as the pressure in the bore hole increases.
- 19. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein the density of the treatment fluid in the bore hole is in the range of from about 0.01% to about 300% higher than its density at sea level.
- 20. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the subterranean formation is located beneath the ocean floor.
- 21. (Original) The method of claim 20 wherein the density of the treatment fluid decreases as the treatment fluid travels from the ocean floor to sea level.
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the treatment fluid further comprises a salt, a fluid loss additive, a shale swelling inhibitor, an emulsifier, a viscosifier, caustic, or a fixed-density weighting agent.
- 23. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the variable pressure weighting material particle comprises a material selected from the group consisting of: a plastic, an elastomer, and a metal.
 - 24. (Original) The method of claim 23 wherein the metal is a memory metal.

- 25. (Original) The method of claim 18 wherein the density of the treatment fluid in the borehole is sufficient to prevent kicks without fracturing a region of the subterranean formation adjacent to the borehole.
 - 26-64 (Cancelled).